

# GRANDVIEW

A Newsletter about the City of Grandview, Missouri

REPORT



## Celebrating Spring's Arrival

*Clockwise from top left: Easter Egg Hunt at Meadowmere Park, enjoying Springtime in Meadowmere Park, Pets Helping People event, and pony rides at Harry's Hay Days Parade. For event information, see the back page.*



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# Did you know...

## City Code Related Issues

■ **A building permit is required for the installation of all room additions**, roof-covered porches, sunrooms, car ports, attached or detached garages, yard sheds, and basement finish or other interior remodeling projects. Swimming pools capable of holding water over 24 inches in depth also require a building permit and must have a four-foot fence around them with a self-latching gate. Fences, satellite dishes, landscaping, uncovered decks, and re-shingling roofs **do not** require permits, but must comply with certain standards. Please contact the Building Official at 316-4825 for further information before starting any of these projects.

■ **Signs placed in the public rights-of-way are illegal.** You may have noticed signs from time to time along the street rights-of-way, particularly at intersections, that advertise everything from homes for sale or rent to quick cash loans to weight loss programs to garage sales. All these signs are illegal under the city code, including those on public utility poles. The public rights-of-way are not intended for private advertising. Each week, code enforcement officers spend time

removing all these signs that clutter the public rights-of-way. Do your part to improve the city's image and keep trash and illegal signs off of these public areas along city roadways.

■ **Trash Busters is a program sponsored by the City** that allows individuals or organizations to be paid \$5 per bag to pick up trash along Grandview's main roadways. To sign up your

group or for more information, call 316-4856.

■ **Weekly trash service is required of all property owners.** Every home owner and business owner is required to contract with one of several local solid waste haulers licensed by the City. This is intended to ensure the proper disposal of all solid waste generated in the City. Some of these haulers will also dispose of leaves and tree debris. Residential trash containers should be

stored behind the front face of the house and put out only on trash day or the night before. A list of haulers can be obtained from the City's web site, [www.grandview.org](http://www.grandview.org), or by calling 316-4817.

■ **Yard waste (except grass clippings) may be taken to the City's Annual Spring Cleanup event** held for Grandview residents the first four Saturdays in April at 139th & Winchester. Cost is \$12 per vehicle load.

For a list of other items allowed to be dropped off, call 316-4856. Grandview residents may also drop off yard waste at I-470 and Raytown Road, by purchasing a \$10 voucher (one per vehicle) at City Hall. The site is open from mid-March through mid-January on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sundays from noon to 6 p.m. For information, call 316-4817.

■ **Disposal sites are available for household hazardous waste.** You may schedule an appointment at one of the two area disposal sites: Kansas City (784-2080) or Lee's Summit (969-1805). There is a fee for dropping off hazardous waste at these sites, but Grandview residents will be reimbursed up to \$50 once

per year if they present the original receipt to the Public Works Department at City Hall, 1200 Main Street.

■ **For all types of recycling information**, go to [www.recyclespot.org](http://www.recyclespot.org) or call 816-474-TEAM for your one-stop source. It will help you find out the numerous items you can drop off, including grass clippings, aerosol cans, old paint cans, batteries, motor oil, appliances, and even cell phones and old computer equipment.

■ **Vehicles parked/stored outside a garage must be properly licensed and operable.** Vehicles with flat tires are considered inoperable. Vehicles must also be parked on improved surfaces. Parking in yards or on grass areas is not allowed.

■ **Oversized/commercial vehicles may not be parked in residential zoned areas** on streets or driveways. Except for trucks or vehicles used for delivery or construction work on site, vehicles over 22 feet in length, eight feet in height, or eight feet in width are not



**Signs on utility poles and in rights-of-way are illegal in Grandview.**



allowed in residential neighborhoods. If you have any questions, please call 316-4817.



**Dogs must be on leashes when outside.**

■ **A leash law is in effect in Grandview.** Animals must be kept in securely fenced areas or under the control of the owners at all times. Dogs running at large are routinely picked up and impounded. The impoundment fee is \$60.00, and there is a boarding fee of \$17.50 per day. Rabies vaccinations are required for animals residing within the city limits, but a license is not required.

■ **Pit Bull dogs are not allowed in the City.** Grandview, like some other cities in the metro area, passed an ordinance back in 2005 that bans this breed of dog, along with those mixed breeds that are predominantly pit bulls, in the interest of public safety. For more information, please call 316-4817.

### Vehicle/Driver's/Occupational Licensing

■ **The state plans to begin issuance of the newly designed Missouri license plates** effective June 14.

■ **The following are needed for new or renewed vehicle registration:** (1) title and bill of sale (new) or registration from prior year (renewal), (2) property tax receipt for prior year(s) or a tax waiver if you did not owe any property tax the prior year, (3) inspection in an even year if your vehicle is also an even year model, or in an odd year if your vehicle is also an odd year model,



**The newly designed Missouri license plate.**

(4) proof of valid insurance. For more information, please call 316-4800.

■ **The following are needed for a new or renewed driver's license:** (1) birth certificate (can't be a copy) or passport (may be an expired passport), (2) proof of residence (e.g., utility bill, paycheck, bank statement or other document showing current name and address), (3) Social Security card (can't be laminated).

■ **An occupational license is required to do business in Grandview**, whether the business is located in the city limits or not. To obtain an occupational license, you may stop at City Hall or download an application at [www.grandview.org](http://www.grandview.org). The completed applications may be sent to the Finance Department by mail to: City of Grandview, 1200 Main Street, Grandview, MO 64030 or via fax at (816) 763-3907.

■ **Home occupations (home-based businesses) also require an occupational license**, but additionally must meet the zoning requirements for a home occupation and obtain a home occupation permit. For information, call 316-4825 or you may refer to the zoning ordinance on [www.grandview.org](http://www.grandview.org) and look under Section 31-25(B).

### Legal/Public Safety

■ **It is unlawful for any person to violate the terms or conditions of an order of protection** entered in a court of the State of Missouri or any other state.

■ **The act of stalking**, i.e., purposely and repeatedly harassing or following with the intent of harassing another person, is prohibited in Grandview.

■ **Residents are required to register any alarm system in their home or business** with the Police Department. To do so, contact the Records Unit at 316-4900.

■ **It is illegal to consume or possess alcohol** in any of the City's parks.

■ **If you have a concealed/carry weapon permit**, you are still prohibited from possessing a firearm in: any Police, Sheriff's, or Highway Patrol facility; within 20-25 feet of any polling place on election day; any courthouse or administrative offices; any prison, correctional juvenile court facility; any meeting of a local government body; any licensed liquor establishment; controlled areas in an airport; any school or college facility; any child-care facility; any gated area of an amusement park; any church or place of worship; any private property posting concealed weapons are off-limits; any sports arena or stadium; or any public hospital. ■



# Remodeling Loan Program Extended

**G**randview residents can enjoy new home renovations, thanks to a special loan agreement between the First Suburbs Coalition and CommunityAmerica Credit Union.

In February 2007, the First Suburbs Coalition, an alliance of first-tier suburbs on both sides of the state line, decided to address this need by contracting with CommunityAmerica to offer low-interest, fixed-rate home equity loans of up to \$30,000 to homeowners in their communities.

To date, CommunityAmerica has loaned nearly \$1.5 million to First Suburb homeowners. The loans have been used for a wide variety of projects, including window and door replacement, roof repair or replacement, plumbing and electrical upgrades, and add-ons such as new rooms, decks, porches and fences.

Based on the success of the program's first year, the First Suburbs Coalition has extended its agreement with CommunityAmerica through 2008 at very attractive interest rates — as low as 5.4 percent for qualified borrowers. The program requires that homes must be owner occupied, with tax-assessed values not exceeding \$200,000.

For more information about the First Suburbs home-equity loan program, please call CommunityAmerica at (913) 905-6629. ■



**With help from The First Suburbs Coalition home equity loan program, homeowners can now add rooms to their homes much like this home of Ronald and Billie Hall at 7005 E. 134th Terrace in Grandview, where a sunroom was added in the back.**

\*APR = Annual Percentage Rate. Actual rate may vary. Payment will be equally amortized over the term of the loan. Minimum loan amount \$5,000, maximum loan amount capped at \$30,000. Minimum and maximum loan amounts, and tax assessed value restriction set by First Suburbs Coalition. Applicant pays for mortgage tax. Homeowners insurance required. \*\*Consult your tax advisor regarding deductibility of interest.

## Business Recruitment Rewards Program

**G**randview has created a new opportunity for individuals to become partners in the City's economic growth by assisting in recruiting new businesses. Those who nominate businesses that are successfully recruited to Grandview can receive \$1,000-\$5,000 as a recruitment reward.

The business categories that qualify for Grandview's Enhanced Enterprise Zone (EEZ) program and are likely to be eligible for the Rewards Program include Construction, Manufacturing, Transportation & Warehousing, Information, Finance and Insurance, Professional and Technical Services, Enterprise Management, Administrative Support, Waste Management and Remediation Services, Arts, Entertainment and Recreation, and other services.

### **Other categories targeted for the recruitment program:**

- Businesses not otherwise included in the EEZ guidelines, but

which would: (A) be new and unique in Grandview and/or (B) draw new wealth and spending into the City.

- Business types that appear to be successful in Grandview, in part because of their specialized nature (such as businesses primarily serving other firms) or ones that serve specialty, non-local markets (such as the area building trades), thereby drawing new dollars into the City.
- Businesses that have locations in other parts of the metropolitan area serving customers throughout the region.

### **Submitting Business Prospects**

The application form and complete guidelines, including targeted types of businesses, are available at City Hall, 1200 Main Street, Grandview, Missouri 64030. The information also can be obtained by calling City Hall at (816) 316-4869. ■



\*Retail stores, bars, restaurants, and gaming establishments are not eligible for the EEZ Program, but they may be qualified for the Rewards Program if they meet the "uniqueness" criteria and/or draw a majority of their customers and revenue from outside the Grandview city limits.



# STREET RESURFACING

Starting in June, the Public Works Department will be doing street repairs. Asphalt overlay will start in June and end in mid-July. Slurry seal, which closes the street for one day, will start in July and end in August.

## SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT

Sidewalk replacement is the removal and replacement of a portion of the sidewalk adjacent to the following properties:

- 14602 Bristol Ave.
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- 12800 Richmond Ave.
- 12912 Seventh Street
- 12914 Seventh Street
- 128th Street at 12743 Oakland Ave.
- 129th Street at 12814 Craig Ave.
- 129th Street at 12814 Craig Ave.
- 133rd Terr. at 13315 Sixth St.
- 133rd Terr. at 13320 Seventh St.
- 134th Terr. at 13345 Palmer Ave.
- 134th Terr. at 13407 Oakland Ave.

## ASPHALT OVERLAY STREET RESURFACING

| STREET             | FROM              | TO                           |
|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| E. 136th Street    | Bennington Ave.   | East Frontage Road           |
| Bayview Dr.        | Fountain Lake Dr. | Dead End E. of Fountain Lake |
| Cambridge Ave.     | E. 127th Terrace  | E. 129th Street              |
| Eighth Street      | E. 138th Street   | E. 139th Street              |
| El Rancho Road     | E. 140th Street   | E. 141st Street              |
| Goode Ave.         | Fifth Street      | Seventh Street               |
| Harry Truman Drive | Food Lane         | Crystal Ave.                 |
| Main Street        | 5th Street        | West City Limits             |
| Oxford Place       | Fountain Lake Dr. | Cul-de-Sac East              |
| Richmond Ave.      | E. 122nd Street   | Harry Truman Drive           |
| Sixth Street       | Jones Ave.        | Goode Avenue                 |
| Spruce Street      | E. 138th Street   | 300' North of E. 137th St.   |
| Street "A"         | Fountain Lake Dr. | Dead End W. of Fountain Lake |

## SLURRY SEAL COATING THAT PRESERVES STREETS

| STREET           | FROM            | TO                              |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| E. 123rd Street  | Bennington Ave. | Corrington Ave.                 |
| E. 134th Terrace | Byars Road      | Park Hills Drive                |
| Bennington Ave.  | E. 123rd Street | Harry Truman Drive              |
| Bennington Ave.  | E. 139th Street | E. 140th Place                  |
| Bristol Ave.     | E. 123rd Street | Dead End S. of E. 124th Terrace |
| Cambridge Ave.   | E. 134th Street | E. 134th Terrace                |
| Corrington Ave.  | E. 123rd Street | Dead End South of Crystal       |
| Crystal Ave.     | Corrington Ave. | Harry Truman Drive              |
| Donnelly Ave.    | Highgrove Rd.   | Dead End S. of E. 135th Street  |
| Fifteenth Street | Highgrove Rd.   | E. 135th Street                 |
| Oakland Ave.     | E. 134th Street | E. 134th Terrace                |
| White Ave.       | E. 153rd Street | Bellaire Ave.                   |

# Upcoming Events

## ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP

**April 5, 12, 19 & 26**

139th and Winchester

7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

\$12 per vehicle | 316-4856

## PETS HELPING PEOPLE

**April 26**

Vaccination program for dogs

and cats at Conn-West Elementary School

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. — \$5 per animal | 316-4817

## ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

**Friday, April 4**

Meadowmere Park tree grove north of The View

10:30 a.m. — Free | 316-4888

## HARRY'S HAY DAYS

**May 17**

1200 Main Street

Parade is 10 a.m. — Free | 765-5555

## FARMER'S MARKET

**June 7 through October**

Saturdays 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. | Tuesdays, 3-7 p.m.

8th and Main Street

Vendors contact Johnna Welch at 405-5561

## SIGN-UP FOR YOUTH SPORTS AT THE VIEW

**Baseball Clinic:** ages 6-14; \$50 members/\$60 non members

**T-Ball:** ages 4-5; \$20 members/\$30 non members

Sign up by April 26 | 316-4888

## MEADOWMERE POOL OPENING

**May 24**

316-4888 for member/non member fees & passes



## CITY OF GRANDVIEW Directory of City Officials

Robert M. Beckers, Mayor  
Leonard D. Jones, Jr., Ward I Alderman  
Steve Dennis, Ward I Alderman  
Debra McKinstry, Ward II Alderman  
Joseph E. Runions, Jr., Ward II Alderman  
James N. Crain, Ward III Alderman  
Anthony Preyer, Ward III Alderman  
Donald Crow, Municipal Judge

### CITY STAFF

Cory Smith, City Administrator  
Kirk Decker, Assistant City Administrator  
Phoebe Cameron, City Clerk  
Becky Schimmel, Assistant City Clerk  
Alan Kenyon, Director of  
Economic Development  
Larry Dickey, Police Chief  
Chuck Thacker, Fire Chief  
Larry Creek, Director of Public Works  
Chris Chiodini, Director of  
Community Development  
Anthony Finlay, Director of  
Parks and Recreation  
Shirley Moses, Director of Finance

### SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

All meetings are open to the public and take place at Grandview City Hall, 1200 Main Street (except Parks and Recreation Commission meetings).

Board of Aldermen regular meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.m.

Board of Aldermen work sessions are on the first and third Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Planning Commission meetings are the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Commission meetings are the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the community center.

### CITY HALL INFORMATION

City of Grandview  
1200 Main Street  
Grandview, MO 64030  
(816) 316-4800  
FAX (816) 763-3902  
[www.grandview.org](http://www.grandview.org)

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